

**Sierra, Natalie**

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**From:** Granato, Thomas [Thomas.Granato@mwrddgc.dst.il.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 24, 2010 2:30 PM  
**To:** Sierra, Natalie  
**Cc:** Cox, Albert  
**Subject:** RE: Questions on Chicago Biosolids Research

Hi Natalie: We are available to talk with you from 1:00 to 4:30 PM CDT on Tuesday 6/1/10. When you return from the biosolids conference, let us know what time you would like to initiate the call. Take care -TG

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**From:** Sierra, Natalie [mailto:NSierra@swater.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 20, 2010 12:33 PM  
**To:** Granato, Thomas  
**Subject:** RE: Questions on Chicago Biosolids Research

Thanks for your quick response. As of right now, I am free most of the day on June 1<sup>st</sup> and think it is a great idea to have the soil scientists on the phone as well. Let me know what your availability is and we will go ahead and set something up.

Thanks so much,  
Natalie

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**From:** Granato, Thomas [mailto:Thomas.Granato@mwrddgc.dst.il.us]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 20, 2010 9:11 AM  
**To:** Sierra, Natalie  
**Cc:** Cox, Albert; Oladeji, Olawale  
**Subject:** RE: Questions on Chicago Biosolids Research

Hello Natalie, nice to hear from you. I won't be attending the RBC conference this year. We will be sending one of our soil scientists to the meeting, Olawale "Wale" Oladeji. Unfortunately, Wale is new to the District and is not yet familiar with all of the studies and steps we have taken over the years to build our program. I would be happy to talk to you over the phone after you return from the conference. If we pick the right day I can arrange to have some of our soil scientists participate on the call and they can subsequently provide you with more detailed information that you may need to help support your program. It appears that June 1st may be a particularly good date to talk if you are available. Let me know. Best regards -TG

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**From:** Sierra, Natalie [mailto:NSierra@swater.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 19, 2010 6:32 PM

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**To:** Granato, Thomas  
**Subject:** Questions on Chicago Biosolids Research

Dear Mr. Granato,

My name is Natalie Sierra and I am the biosolids manager for the City and County of San Francisco. Greg Kester had, at my request, given me your contact information. Due to public inquiries on our compost giveaway program, we are undertaking an analysis of the compost (manufactured at a third party facility) for EPA's priority pollutant list. I am somewhat familiar with some of the excellent work that Chicago has done on long term accumulation of compounds, particularly dioxin and radioactive isotopes. I was hoping to talk to you about what other compounds you have looked into, particularly with respect to a paper you gave at the WEF RBC conference a year or two ago in which you described a site specific risk assessment for in-city reuse – I think such methods would be applicable and/or help us have productive discussions about relative risk and exposure; I really am not familiar with any other agencies who have tried to take such a comprehensive look at this. Are you going to be in Savannah for the RBC (and would you have time to talk with me there) or can I set up a separate time to discuss some of these items with you on the phone?

Thanks,

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